

3.6 Frequency Domain Results

Theorem 3.6.1 (Asymptotic behavior of Fourier Coefficients)

If f_T and its first m derivatives are continuous, but $f_T^{(m+1)}$ is discontinuous then,

$$|a_k| < \frac{C}{k^{m+2}}, \quad |b_k| < \frac{C}{k^{m+2}}, \quad |c_k| < \frac{C}{k^{m+2}}$$

Corollary 3.6.1 (Asymptotic behavior of Fourier Coefficients, Special Cases)

- (a) if f_T is discontinuous ($m=-1$), then c_k goes to zero on the order of $1/k$.
- (b) if f_T is continuous but f_T' is discontinuous ($m=0$), then c_k goes to zero on the order of $1/k^2$.
- (c) if f_T and all of its derivatives are continuous, then c_k goes to zero on the order of $1/k^m$.

Definition 3.6.1 (Frequency Blurring)

Let f satisfy the Dirichlet conditions,

The frequency domain graph of f is said to have frequency blurring if there is a clustering of nonzero Fourier coefficients near the dominant frequencies.

Calculating c_k

$$c_k = \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T f(x) e^{ik\omega t} dx$$

